

VIRGINIA: At an Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the  
County of Accomack held in the Board of Supervisors  
Chambers in Accomac, Virginia on the 9th day of March,  
A.D., 2015.

Members Present: C. Reneta Major, Chair  
Ron S. Wolff, Vice Chair  
Wanda J. Thornton  
Grayson Chesser  
John Charles "Jack" Gray  
Kay W. Lewis  
Laura Belle Gordy  
Robert D. Crockett  
Donald L. Hart, Jr.

Others Present: Steven B. Miner, County Administrator  
Mark B. Taylor, County Attorney  
Michael Mason, Finance Director  
Shelia West, Administrative Assistant

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and opened with a prayer by Mr. Wolff, after which the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

### **Budget Deliberations**

Dr. Miner gave opening statements whether to take the proposed budget to Public Hearing on Monday, March 23, 2015 at Metompkin Elementary School. He amended his recommendation to include a \$25,000 vehicle for the Planning Department and said that the vehicle had originally been in the County Administrators recommendations because he felt that an available automobile could be found within the car pool. He explained that the Building and Zoning Department needed a vehicle with more ground clearance than the used vehicle that they originally thought they could use.

A discussion took place concerning whether the Library Board was in favor of the proposed expansion at its current location. Public Works Director Stewart Hall told the board some preliminary meetings had been held with the Library Board but no decision had been made.

Mr. Wolff told the Board he had talked with Chair Barbara Coady and that the Library Board was very receptive of the renovation of the building at the current location.

### **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**

A lengthy discussion ensued concerning the priority list from the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Committee.

Mrs. Major asked staff to contact Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Committee members to get a date set for their first meeting and by the April 15, 2015 Board of Supervisors Meeting, they bring back to them the priority list.

### **Grangeville Convenience Center**

Mr. Hart asked for an update on the Grangeville Convenience Center and for a clear understanding why it was taking so long for completion of the project. Dr. Miner stated Public Works Director Stewart Hall had told him there was approximately \$240,000 left unspent at this point of time, but did not feel it would be adequate to complete the project. Mr. Hall told the Board it would require another \$250,000 which meant \$490,000 total would be needed to complete the project.

Finance Director Michael Mason told the Board he believed there would be other projects and one time revenues that have come in under budget in the 2014/2015 budget which could be applied to make up the shortage.

### **Budget Deliberations**

#### **Registrar**

Mr. Hart commented on his concerns of the new voting machines/scanners for the November Election. He told the Board he did not feel it was a good idea to make a big change in how people vote and how the

votes are cast. It was consensus of the Board to use the new voting machines/scanners for the November 2015 Election.

### **Wallops Research Park**

Mrs. Thornton commented that the \$20 million appropriated by the Federal Government had not been received yet. She asked Mr. Miner to follow up with Caroline Massey. Mr. Miner responded that Caroline Massey would be attending the March 18, 2015 Board Meeting and would be answering their question.

A discussion ensued.

### **Draft Proposed FY2015-2016 Budget**

Mr. Crockett made a motion to send the Draft Proposed FY2015-2016 Budget to Public Hearing on March 23, 2015 at Metompkin Elementary School at 7:30p.m. to afford interested persons the opportunity to be heard or to receive written comments concerning the proposed budget. Mrs. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Grave Site on Dennis Drive**

Mrs. Thornton commented about a recently published news article concerning a grave that was exposed and felt the County should not sit back and do nothing to fix the grave site. She asked if there was some type of resolution the Board could come up with to address the problem.

County Attorney Mark Taylor said it was a private grave site and options were very limited. He told the Board the County does not have the right to make the improvement on the site because it was private, but said he would look into it.

### **Proposed Public Hearing - New Proposed Schools Voluntary Retiree Extended Work Plan**

Mr. Crockett made a motion that the Board draft a resolution to send to Public Hearing on March 23, 2015, the same date of the Public Hearing for the Proposed FY2015-2016 Budget and the resolution would incorporate the Schools Voluntary Retiree Extended Work Plan. Mrs. Gordy seconded the motion.

A discussion ensued with Mrs. Thornton recommending the matter go to referendum and let the public decide.

The vote on the motion: Ayes: Mr. Chesser, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Gordy, Mr. Crockett, Ms. Major. Nays: Mrs. Thornton, Mr. Wolff, Mrs. Lewis  
Abstentions: Mr. Hart

Mrs. Thornton made a motion that the information received from the School Board Office be printed in the newspaper with the resolution indicating that the teachers were not the only ones getting this retirement offer, but everyone who works for the school system excluding the superintendent. Mr. Wolff seconded the motion.

A discussion ensued.

The vote on the motion: Ayes: Mrs. Thornton, Mrs. Gordy, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. Wolff. Nays: Mrs. Chesser, Mr. Gray, Mr. Crockett, Ms. Major.  
Abstentions: Mr. Hart

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Crockett made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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C. Reneta Major, Chair

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Date